TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

SB 640 - HB 1532

March 24, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Enacts the Emergency Care for Rape Victims Act which creates a standard of care for hospitals that provide emergency care to rape victims. A hospital must provide each rape victim with accurate and objective written and oral information about emergency contraception and provide a complete regimen of emergency contraception immediately upon request unless the victim is pregnant. The Department of Health is required to develop, prepare, and produce informational materials for distribution by the hospitals and regulate compliance of the provisions of the bill.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Expenditures - \$5,100

Assumption:

• The Department of Health will incur an increase in state expenditures estimated to be \$5,100 for the development and printing of 10,000 brochures to be provided to rape victims at the 129 emergency rooms across the state.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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